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Dear Sandy:

My mail is not in such perfect state that I can be sure we have had no further contact since our conversation in February; I am writing to ask if there was any follow-up about Stuyvesant High School when you met with the Hebrew Technical Institute Board.

Some exciting things are happening at Stuyvesant this spring. I was able to get Amie Knox who consults with the Dreyfus Foundation to take a close look at Stuyvesant's most urgent needs and the answer turned out to be a surprising one: executive management assistance! This is particularly acute right now because they are just starting to plan for a hoped for new building in Battery Park City and they just do not have the time and internal resources to take that on in addition to their very heavy day to day teaching loads. Abe Baumel, the principal, has been very much up front about their limitations and needs in this direction and I am delighted that we have been able to help out: 1) by recruiting Fan Adams (a former president of the Mobil South Division of Mobil Oil Company) via the executive service corps and 2) by funding an administrative assistant to help liaise Fan and the rest of the staff there. This is just getting under way but the responses are already very gratifying.

If you have not met Amie, by the way, you really should get together since she is one of the world's experts on the facilitation of science education at the secondary school level -- both through the master teacher training programs and the like that she has helped to set up at Princeton and in many other ways.

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Another point just occurred to me about The Rockefeller University's role. This summer we had a small fund for modest stipends to a number of high school students who wanted to work at the University during their vacations. I was in a way gratified, but in another way disappointed, that we very rapidly used up all of the funds. While we have some other volunteers who are willing to come without any pay at all I think this is kind of hard on them. I wonder if your institute would find it possible to accommodate a request for perhaps \$10,000 a year to allow us to expand these programs? I should think that would be quite consistent with your charter. I would guess that we would ask about equal amounts to offer some quite modest summer stipends, and to help pay additional supply expenses for the students while they are working in laboratories here.

We have an equal demand from college undergraduates. I do not know whether you would want them mixed in with the high school group or not.

I had better stop now but I do look forward to have a chance to discuss these things with you further in the near future.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,



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